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State disciplines health care providers

OLYMPIA -- The Washington State Department of Health has taken disciplinary actions or withdrawn charges against health care providers in our state.

The department's Health Systems Quality Assurance Division works with boards, commissions, and advisory committees to set licensing standards for more than 80 health care professions (e.g., medical doctors, nurses, counselors).

Information about health care providers is on the agency website. Click on "Look up a health care provider license" in the "How Do I?" section of the Department of Health website (doh.wa.gov). The site includes information about a health care provider's license status, the expiration and renewal date of their credential, disciplinary actions and copies of legal documents issued after July 1998. This information is also available by calling 360-236-4700. Consumers who think a health care provider acted unprofessionally are encouraged to call and report their complaint.

Benton County

In April 2015 the Medical Assistant Program conditionally granted a certified medical assistant credential to **Jessica A. Villarreal** (CM60407284) and placed her on probation for at least two years. Villarreal was convicted of third-degree theft in 2007, in 2013, and in 2014.

Chelan County

In April 2015 the Nursing Assistant Program charged registered nursing assistant **Timothy Alan Hall** (NA60275966) with unprofessional conduct. In 2014 Hall pleaded guilty to unlawful imprisonment domestic violence and fourth-degree assault—domestic violence.

Clark County

In April 2015 the Nursing Commission charged registered nurse and advanced registered nurse practitioner **Deena Michele Chamlee** (RN00140546, AP30006115) with being unable to practice with reasonable skill and safety. Charges say Chamlee's communication with former work colleagues and with a commission investigator "exhibited a concerning level of disorganized thinking and paranoid delusions."

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Cowlitz County

In March 2015 the secretary of health denied a registered nursing assistant credential to **Debbie Lynn Miesbauer** (NA60013125). In 2010 Miesbauer was convicted of violation of the Uniform Controlled Substances Act—possession of cocaine, and complicity to third-degree theft. In 2011 she was convicted of third-degree theft.

Franklin County

In April 2015 the Nursing Assistant Program charged certified nursing assistant **Virginia Gordon** (NC10060731) with unprofessional conduct. While she worked at a senior living facility, Gordon allegedly diverted cash from a 92-year-old patient's residence.

Grant County

In April 2015 the Nursing Assistant Program charged registered nursing assistant **Jessica Lynn Haddican** (NA60489022) with unprofessional conduct. Haddican allegedly admitted that while she worked at an assisted living facility, she took narcotic medication pills from a patient and replaced them with acetaminophen.

In April 2015 the Nursing Assistant Program charged registered nursing assistant **Christine L. Backman** (NA60147652) with unprofessional conduct. In 2014 Backman pleaded guilty to third-degree assault involving a weapon, and fourth-degree assault.

Grays Harbor County

In April 2015 the Osteopathic Board filed an amended statement of charges against osteopathic physician **David Charles Jester** (OP00000936) to remove details about alleged sexual activity involving a patient.

King County

In April 2015 the Medical Commission charged physician **Gavin M. Dry** (MD00035648) with unprofessional conduct. Charges say Dry forged another physician's signature on more than 250 prescriptions. He allegedly filled prescriptions in the names of his wife and son, and then diverted the medication for his own use. Dry allegedly didn't comply with the U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency requirements, surrendered his DEA registration, and agreed to pay \$125,000 in a federal settlement.

In April 2015 the Nursing Commission charged registered nurse **Frank Douglas Muzzey** (RN00110065) with unprofessional conduct. Muzzey was allegedly impaired by alcohol while at work, didn't comply with a substance abuse monitoring contract, didn't inform the commission that he was working as a nurse, and didn't tell his employer he was participating in a substance abuse monitoring program.

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Pierce County

In April 2015 the Nursing Assistant Program charged registered nursing assistant **Katrina Marie Washington** (NA60285136) with unprofessional conduct. While working for an in-home care agency, Washington allegedly diverted a patient's narcotic medication, and failed a drug test.

In April 2015 the secretary of health conditionally granted a dental assistant credential to **Deanna Marie Bauchspies** (D160304565) and ordered her to participate in a substance abuse monitoring program. On her application, Bauchspies said she'd never been convicted of a criminal offense and that she'd never had prosecution deferred. In 1990 she was convicted of third-degree theft. In 2012 she entered into deferred prosecution on a driving while intoxicated charge. In 2013 she was convicted on a separate count of driving while intoxicated and as a result, the deferred prosecution was revoked.

King County

In April 2015 the Medical Commission ended probation for physician **Robert A. Wilson** (MD00032057).

Skagit County

In March 2015 the secretary of health conditionally granted a certified nursing assistant credential to **Michelle Jordan** (NC60488301), who must undergo an evaluation for a substance abuse monitoring program. In 2014 Jordan was convicted of reckless endangerment and reckless driving. In 2015 she was also conditionally granted a pharmacy assistant license.

Spokane County

In April 2015 the Nursing Commission charged registered nurse and advanced registered nurse practitioner **Debra Thomas Stanciu** (RN00056396, AP30000070) with unprofessional conduct. She allegedly didn't comply with a requirement to complete a course in medical ethics, boundaries, and professionalism.

In April 2015 the Nursing Assistant Program charged registered nursing assistant **Elizabeth A. Lien** (NA00101060) with unprofessional conduct. Lien allegedly didn't comply with a Department of Health investigator's request to explain matters related to a complaint against her.

Thurston County

In April 2015 the Nursing Commission charged registered nurse and advanced registered nurse practitioner **Arlene Theresa Oliver** (RN00116224, AP30004534) with unprofessional conduct. Oliver allegedly gave a patient information about two sex swinger clubs, and told the patient not to be surprised to see Oliver at the clubs. The patient allegedly went with Oliver and Oliver's husband to one of the clubs, where the patient watched people engage in sex acts. Later, charges say, Oliver and her husband went to one of the clubs and the patient was already there. Oliver

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allegedly watched the patient and her husband have sex. Shortly thereafter, the patient allegedly ended the professional relationship.

Whatcom County

In April 2015 the Nursing Assistant Program charged certified nursing assistant **Kelvin Kawa Kollie** (NC60116365) with unprofessional conduct. Charges say that while Kollie worked at a senior living facility, he used his cellular telephone to take videos of nine dementia patients. The patients didn't give their permission, charges say, and the residents are naked in several of the videos. One video allegedly shows another caregiver taunting a patient until the patient asks for help.

In April 2015 the Surgical Technologist Program charged surgical technologist **Amy F. Vanlant** (ST00003684) with unprofessional conduct. Vanlant allegedly admitted that she went to a clinic where she worked, diverted narcotics, and replaced the medication with saline.

Yakima County

In April 2015 the Nursing Commission charged registered nurse **Lesli Lynn Farnsworth** (RN00103020) with being unable to practice with reasonable skill and safety. Charges say Farnsworth was diagnosed with and treated for major depressive disorder. Allegations are that a physician concluded Farnsworth would need more treatment before returning to work, but she said she had no plans to receive more treatment.

Out of State

Oregon: In April 2015 the Nursing Assistant Program vacated a decision conditionally granting a certified medical assistant credential to **Brenda Kay Graham** (CM60406809). Graham is still authorized to practice under her medical assistant interim permit (IC60516636).

Oregon: In March 2015 the Occupational Therapy Board entered an agreement with occupational therapist **Synnove J. Abrahamsen** (OT00004565) that places her credential on probation for at least two years. In 2013 she pleaded guilty in Oregon to unlawful possession of marijuana.

Note to Editors: Health care providers charged with unprofessional conduct have 20 days to respond to the Department of Health in writing. The case then enters the settlement process. If no disciplinary agreement can be reached, the case will go to a hearing.

The <u>Department of Health website</u> (www.doh.wa.gov) is your source for *a healthy dose of information*. Also, find us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter.